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The Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A multiparticulate bisoprolol formulation for once-daily oral administration, each particle comprising a core of bisoprolol or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof surrounded by a polymeric coating, said coating comprising at least one enteric polymer coating material selected from the group consisting of cellulose acetate phthalate, ~~cellulose acetate trimaletate~~, hydroxyl propyl methylcellulose phthalate, polyvinyl acetate phthalate, anionic polymers of methacrylic acid that dissolve at a pH from 5.5 to 7, ~~Eudragit poly-acrylic acid, Eudragit S, Eudragit L,~~ polyvinyl acetaldiethylamino acetate, hydroxypropyl methylcellulose acetate succinate, cellulose acetate trimellitate and shellac; said polymeric coating being effective to achieve an initial lag of bisoprolol release in vivo of at least 4-6 hours following administration and thereafter maintaining therapeutic concentrations of bisoprolol for the remainder of the twenty-four hour period.

2. (Original) A multiparticulate bisoprolol formulation according to claim 1, wherein the polymeric coating is effective to prevent quantifiable bisoprolol plasma concentrations in vivo for a period of at least 3-6 hours.

3. (Previously presented) A multiparticulate bisoprolol formulation according to claim 1, which contains a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of bisoprolol.

4. (Original) A multiparticulate bisoprolol formulation according to claim 3, wherein the salt is bisoprolol hemifumarate.

5. (Previously presented) A multiparticulate bisoprolol formulation according to claim 1, which has an in vitro dissolution profile which when measured in a U.S. Pharmacopoeia 2 Apparatus (Paddles) in phosphate buffer at pH 6.8 at 37°C. and 50 rpm substantially corresponds to the following: (a) from 0% to 10% of the total bisoprolol is released after 2 hours of measurement in said apparatus, (b) from 0% to 50% of the total bisoprolol is released after 4 hours of measurement in said apparatus; and (c) greater than 50% of the total bisoprolol is released after 10 hours of measurement in said apparatus.